TO THE DESCENDANTS OF THOMAS MOULTON:

Would the mother and the father of the family, in each case, sit down together and talk over the validity of this letter. Decide whether you should support this program or not.

Lawrence Durrell said, "We live by a very exacting kind of poetic logic--since we get exactly what we ask for, no more and no less."

Joseph Smith, who most of the descendants of Thomas Moulton accept as having been a Prophet of God, stated most frankly that our own salvation was closely tied with that of our kindred dead.

And from Edmond Burke--"All that is required for the triumph of evil is that good men remain silent and do nothing."

Frankly, in the case of effective genealogical work for the Thomas Moulton family, evil has been making good progress.

In going back through the records over the past ten years, as far as can be determined we, as a family, have probably given five or six hundred dollars to this cause. We have given little. We have accomplished little.

We do not mean to air a feeling of ingratitude. But the truth is that less than twenty people have contributed most of the time and money which has been contributed. We are SO GRATEFUL to you few.

Frankly, this total picture is a little bit like it is with the Book of Mormon. If the Book of Mormon is true (and it is our firm testimony that it is)--then so many, many other things fall in place: God lives; Jesus is His Son; Joseph Smith was the instrument of God in restoring the Gospel to the earth in these latter days; --and this work in which we should be so enthusiastically engaged should constitute the very marrow of our hopes and dreams and desires.

We ask that you re-read those first three statements. What about it?

We want you to understand that no family member has received pay for any work which he may have done. Every cent has either been put into supplies, postage and printing or has gone into professional research. We have just about enough money on hand to complete this publication. We sincerely hope and pray that it is effective.

There have probably been 1,000 family heads who have descended from Thomas Moulton, his wife Esther Marsh, who died in England, and Sarah Denton.

If no goals are set, nothing will be accomplished. We ask you to join us in the following:

(1) Let's raise $5,000 in the next two years. This shouldn't be impossible. We are not asking the usual givers for more--they volunteer, without asking. But that still leaves most of the rest of us.

With the money raised, we can more adequately fulfill our obligations.

We've shied away from asking for money in the past. We just don't like to have to do it. But now we are coming to you with a forthright plea to support this cause. It is so strange. Sometimes we have received our best support from the in-laws. In fact, they sometimes are the ones to carry the ball for the family member. We are not setting an amount-but surely each family who is converted to the program could send at least $1 per month. --Better still--a single check for the year.

Verda Hicken is re-editing the Thomas Moulton Family History. We are still some time from publication. It should be excellent.

We hope that you enjoy the photo sheet attached.

The Moulton Research Foundation

IBM LISTING: We are placing ALL of the descendants of Thomas Moulton, together with their current addresses, on an IBM list. In the print-outs of this list, it will show the line of parentage back to Thomas Moulton, in each case. The system will make it possible to make additions, change addresses and delete addresses when a member of the family passes away. Our first lists will only show the names and addresses of Moulton Family heads of family.

We have been working on this for about five years--so we already have a pretty good list.

Copies of this print-out will be available at $3.00 each. However, this is NOT a contribution to the cause which we are pleading. It is simply something for your own information. You are welcome to order it if you want. However, MAKE YOUR ORDER AND CHECK ENTIRELY SEPARATE for the print-out. IF THERE IS ANY PROFIT on the print-outs, it will go to the Family funds--not to any individual.

If you have received this letter you are on the list. It would help us to have a complete list if you would return the document below to us. Notice that the name on the first line, in the extreme left margin, is Thomas Moulton. Indent about one-half inch for each generation from him down to you. Show your address by your name. Then indent another five spaces for a column to show the names of your children and their addresses. PLEASE GIVE COMPLETE FULL NAMES (including married names) AND PUT YOUR CHILDREN IN ORDER OF BIRTH--OLDEST FIRST.

Here is the way names should appear (sample is for James Heber Moulton, son of Thomas Henry Moulton, who is a son of James Heber Moulton, who is the son of Thomas Moulton):

Thomas Moulton (Deceased)
    James Heber Moulton (Deceased)
        Thomas Henry Moulton, 1138 East Fourth South, Salt Lake City, Utah
            James Heber Moulton, 3119 South 700 West, Bountiful, Utah
                Jennifer Ann Moulton, 3119 South 700 West, Bountiful, Utah
                Michele Moulton, 3119 South 700 West, Bountiful, Utah
                Cheryl Moulton, 3119 South 700 West, Bountiful, Utah
                Jolane Moulton, 3119 South 700 West, Bountiful, Utah
                James Romney Moulton, 3119 South 700 West, Bountiful, Utah

Now-below is the space for you to enter your names and addresses:

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Thomas Moulton, (Deceased)

PLEASE BE CAREFUL HOW YOU DO THIS. BUT DO DO IT--NOW.

If you do send a contribution, enter the amount here: $__________. (Don't send currency or silver in the mails.)

Kindly send your contribution and list to- Mrs. Denton Moulton
Moulton Research Foundation
4460 South 3600 West
Salt Lake City, Utah